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Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find attached a copy of the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION, together with a check in the amount of \$493.00, Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application and drawings No. 1 – 17. in accordance with regulations. Drawings No 18 and 19 include color laser copies intended to show the difference in color intensity between two kinds of prints and transfers,. For this reason, they have to be made in color. As I am unaware of the rules for how to display this as a patent drawings, I have included a sample for you to judge and advice me. If no rules for color drawings exist, these drawings should be eliminated.. Due to a fault in the original numbering, a drawing No. 20 was listed and should be eliminated.

This invention has been protected by successive PPAs, the last one having been filed on my behalf by the late John D. Upham, Esq., approximately on February 20, 2003. In view of the fact that I have misplaced the receipt Mr. Upham sent me, I am unable to refer to that PPA in the Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application.

I have reviewed the contents of the specifications and claims of the above application. I thereby detected that Claim No. 1 does not have any relation to my above invention. My invention, in a nutshell, consists of a composite sheet, having a support sheet, a plastic film and an adhesive with a liner. If such a sheet is applied with the adhesive in contact with an image on paper, and the laminate submerged, the paper may be "soaked off", to use an expression of the attorney.. When the decal thus obtained is positioned with the image in contact with a substrate and heat is applied, the adhesive will migrate through the image layer, into the substrate. However, the composite sheet described in Claim No. 1 of the application filed by the attorney refers to an adhesive core between two liners, i.e. a transfer adhesive. When one liner of this kind of composite sheet is removed and the sheet is placed with the adhesive in contact with an image on paper, the paper cannot be soaked off without thereby destroying the laminate. Furthermore, even if it would be possible to make a decal in this manner, it would not be possible to apply this decal with heat, because the same adhesive as in my composite sheet does not migrate in this configuration. In my experience, this adhesive will only migrate when it is combined with a plastic film in the manner described on page 41, line 12 – page 42, line 18. which is the description I forwarded to the patent attorney. The adhesive's ability to migrate in this configuration is the very discovery for which I am applying for a patent.

The letter to me with the NOTICE TO FORWARD MISSING PARTS, and request to sign the Power of Attorney, was signed by the patent attorney on June 3. 2004. A week later, I received by Federal Express a copy of his REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL AS ATTORNEY, signed on June 10, 2004. I had not been provided with any warning whatever of his intentions in this respect. Furthermore the reasons for withdrawal given in his Request for Withdrawal are not completely correct.

In view of the above, I have been unable to declare that I am the inventor of the invention claimed in the

present Claim No. 1, and have had to make corresponding changes in the text of the Declaration form.

Furthermore, in view of the fact that I have been abandoned by my patent attorney, I have been forced to appoint myself as attorney until I will have found one who is willing to take over. In the event that I do not find one, and/or the US PTO deems that due to this reason, my Application has to be considered as abandoned, I would be most obliged if you could inform me about this as rapidly as possible, and that you **do not publish the Application**.

In view of the facts that I have been abandoned by my attorney, I am preparing a factual description of events, with copies of pertinent documents, e-mail as well as airmail and courier mail correspondence. These documents will be forwarded to the PTO Office of Discipline and Enrollment with a complaint about the manner in which the patent attorney has handled my above Patent Application.

Sincerely



Oscar af Strom

P.S. I am Swedish and not Mexican, as the attorney has stated. In view of the fact that I have received 6 US Patents, I assume that you have my name in your computer register.